



# System Alignment Taskforce

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# Discussion Topics

- \* Potential Influence of WIOA on System Alignment
- \* Discussion of Ideal State for Workforce Development System
  - \* Three areas of focus:
    1. What should be included in the State's Workforce Development System?
    2. How should state agencies/programs be organized, including state-level governance?
    3. How should regional boundaries be drawn?

# Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

- \* Provides some ideas of federally-funded programs that should be considered a part of the system:
  - \* “Core Program”
    - \* WIA Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth
    - \* Wagner-Peyser
    - \* Adult Education
    - \* Vocational Rehabilitation
- \* All States required to submit unified state plan
  - \* Strategic/Operational Plan for “Core Programs”
  - \* Provides guidance as to integrating other related plans:
    - \* Carl Perkins CTE
    - \* TAA
    - \* TANF

# Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

- \* State Governance

- \* State Workforce Board appointed by the Governor

- \* Over 50% business representatives
    - \* At least 20% worker representatives
    - \* Remaining members:
      - \* Governor
      - \* Core Program Leadership
      - \* One member of each Chamber
      - \* Local Elected Official (County and City)
      - \* Other members at Governor's Discretion

According to Senate HELP staff, minimum number of state board will be 33

# Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

- \* Local and Regional Workforce Development Areas
  - \* Regions – geographic areas (that could consist of one or more local areas, including interstate areas) that share the same labor and economic markets
  - \* Local Areas – geographic areas determined by the governor (with consultation with local elected officials and local workforce boards) that are:
    - \* Consistent with labor market areas in the State;
    - \* Consistent with regional economic development areas of the State; and
    - \* Have available federal and non-federal resources to effectively administer WIA (including appropriate education and training providers)
    - \* Each Local Area has one workforce development board

# Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

- \* WIOA has flexibility for establishing local workforce development areas:
  - \* Automatic (two year) designation is only provided to local areas/WIBs that have met all WIA performance measures for PY2013 and PY2014 and have sustained fiscal integrity
- \* WIOA limits options for federally-funded workforce development governance:
  - \* Single State Local Area Designation
  - \* Will not apply to Indiana
    - \* Was not designated as a single state local area as of July 1, 2013

# Looking for the Ideal State

## Considerations

- \* What is definition of “workforce development”?
  - \* What type of services do “workforce development” programs include?
  - \* What type of individuals do they/should they provide services to?
  - \* Is there a difference between “workforce development” and “education”?
- \* Do “workforce development” programs include the same or similar outcome measurements?
  - \* What are they/What should they be?

# Looking for the Ideal State

- \* Workforce Development – “the education and training programs for participants or those who wish to participate in the workforce, delivered through formal and informal means, that are designed to enhance the skills of people to gain or maintain socio-economic status”

\* Dr. Stephen G. Katsinas (1994)



# What programs are “Workforce Development”?

Which of the following programs fit into the definition of “workforce development”?

- \* Commission for Higher Education/State Financial Aid Programs:
  - \* Higher Education Award
  - \* Freedom of Choice Award
  - \* 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholars
  - \* Pt. Time Student Grants
  - \* Nat’l Guard Supplemental Scholarships
  - \* Tuition and Fees Assistance for Children of Veterans and Public Safety Officers

# What programs are “Workforce Development”?

Which of the following programs fit into the definition of “workforce development”?

- \* Programs currently integrated at DWD:
  - \* WIA
  - \* Wagner-Peyser
  - \* Trade Act
  - \* Veterans Employment and Training
  - \* Adult Education
  - \* Unemployment Insurance
- \* Other DWD-funded/overseen programs:
  - \* Career and Technical Education (post-secondary)
  - \* Apprenticeship Training

# What programs are “Workforce Development”?

Which of the following programs fit into the definition of “workforce development”?

- \* Department of Education Programs:
  - \* Career and Technical Education (secondary)
  - \* K-12
  
- \* FSSA Programs:
  - \* Vocational Rehabilitation
  - \* TANF (Employment and Training)
  - \* SNAP (Employment and Training)
  - \* Senior Employment Program

# Next Steps

- \* What and why of status quo?
- \* Data Analysis of Regional and Local Areas
  - \* What are regional labor markets in Indiana?
  - \* How do we ensure regions are consistent throughout multiple agencies/organizations?
- \* National perspectives on Agency Alignment
  - \* What do national experts say regarding the program construction of state agencies?